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1. (U) /Reference DIA letter, S-1257/AP-1M, subject:
 "(U) National Intelligence Survey Program", dated 27 March
 1964.

2. (C) The General Survey fulfills our need for a
 basic reference study of the area. We do not believe that
 it is sufficiently detailed to serve as the only NIS unit
 of coverage for the Latin American countries. Many of the
 basic studies in the NIS series have never been produced
 or are outdated. It is a valuable supplement to the entire
 NIS series. Because of the rapidly changing conditions in
 Latin America, this document should be revised more frequently
 than every three years. The Political and Economic Sections
 are especially subject to change. USSOUTHCOM would like to
 see a revision to The General Survey published annually.

3. (C) The General Survey on Panama is particularly
 valuable to us at this time as the few published units of
 the NIS on this country are all outdated. Section 8, Armed
 Forces is considered inadequate for the following reasons:

- a. The information provided is very sketchy.
- b. The basic NIS Chapter 8 on Panama has never
 been published.

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c. It does not reflect the current status of the force to include organization, development, size of force, status of training, and operational effectiveness.

d. While the Armed Force of Panama is relatively small, it is an extremely important factor in any intelligence study on this country.



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